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The chlorides were weighed together, dissolved in water, and on the addition of bichloride of platinum evaporated to dryness, and the remaining double salt of bichloride of platinum and potassium extracted by alcohol. This salt was heated to redness (as its quantity was very small,) and the platinum separated by water from the chloride of potassium. From the quantity of platinum, that of potash and chloride of potassium was calculated, and the latter subtracted from the whole amount of alkali-metals. The difference is the weight of chloride of sodium and lithium, but their quantity is too small for a correct analysis. From reactions it was supposed that the mineral contained about equal proportions of those. Fluorine and phosphoric or boracic acid could not be detected.

ELECTION.

Mr. James L. Claghorn, of Philadelphia, Mr. George M. Keim, of Reading, Pennsylvania, and Dr. G. Bischoff, of the same place, were elected *Members*; and

Dr. Henry G. Dalton, of Demerara, was elected a *Correspondent*.

August 3d.

Vice-President BRIDGES in the chair.

A communication from Prof. S. F. Baird was read, stating that the *Vulpes Utah*, of Audubon and Bachman, described in the last No. of the Proceedings (for May and June) is identical with the *V. macrourus*, Baird, described in Capt. Stansbury's Report of the Exploration of Utah. As this Report was published early in June, the writer claims priority of date for the latter name.

Dr. LeConte read a paper intended for publication in the Proceedings, entitled "Remarks on the Coccinellidæ of the United States," which was referred to Dr. Watson, Dr. Hallowell and Mr. Kilvington.

Dr. LeConte read a second communication, also intended for publication, entitled "Description of a new species of Trombidium." Referred to the same Committee.

August 10th.

Vice-President BRIDGES in the Chair.

A letter was read from Dr. J. P. Heister, for Dr. Bischoff of Reading, Pennsylvania, dated August 5th, 1852, acknowledging the receipt of the notice of election of the latter as a member of the Academy.

A circular was received from Mr. Francis S. Holmes, Curator of the Museum of Natural History in the College of Charleston, dated July 1852, giving an account of the establishment of the Museum, and requesting the transmission of duplicate specimens in exchange, and the publications of the Academy; and also offering to present a specimen of a recent Crinoid from the coast of South Carolina.

The communication was referred, on motion, to the Curators.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Linnean Society of London, dated June 23d, 1852, acknowledging the receipt of the last No.